

Handrunning, With Lieut. Rockwell Up, Wins Service Race

CAN'T BE DONE, SAYS GESSLER

"I Tried to Come Back but Couldn't," Says Former National Slugger.

OTHER SPORTING GOSSIP

Federal League Causing Some Apprehension—Cricket in England Not So Popular as Formerly.

By WILLIAM PERRY.

"They can't come back in baseball after quitting the game for one year."

"I tried it to my sorrow, and know whereof I speak."

Doc Harry Gessler, with the Nationals part of the 1910 season and throughout 1911, made this statement, when interviewed in New York last week.

"I tried to come back to the Kansas City club last year," Gessler continued, "but I did not care to play so far West, and decided to quit baseball that season, and stick to my studies in Baltimore."

"I did not touch a ball all last year, but took enough exercise to keep from getting too fat."

"Last June, after college closed, I thought I would like to try my luck at baseball once more, and reported to the Kansas City club of the American Association, to which I was sold."

"It was funny the first day I put on a uniform and went to the outfield. Somebody batted out a high fly and I got under it all right, but then misjudged it and it hit me on the head. I'll bet I tried to catch a dozen flies and missed every one of them."

"At the last I was a right-winded nine times in practice before I even fouled one off."

"I went out again the next day and the next, but it was no use, and finally gave it up in disgust and went home. I am through with baseball for good."

Gessler claims that burning the midnight oil had made money during the 1912 season, when the Naps were going badly, if the so-called outlaws had been able to obtain a ball park within easy trolley distance of the center of the city. During the season just closed the Clevelanders would have made money during the 1913 season, when the Naps were going badly, if the so-called outlaws had been able to obtain a ball park within easy trolley distance of the center of the city.

Over in Pittsburgh every move the Federal League makes is watched closely by Owner Barney Dreyfuss, of the Pirates, who has his agents attend the games and report on the attendance each day.

It is claimed that Jack O'Connor, former manager of the Browns, who handled the reins of the St. Louis Federal League club, made money with his team and pulled away from the regular Cardinals and Browns patrons several hundred fane.

The mere fact that the Federal League finished its season, playing every game on the schedule, has caused the major league managers to wake up and take notice, and next year some interesting developments are expected if the outlaws expand and attract some of the stars of the organized ranks, as they threaten to do.

That cricket is gradually dying out in England is the opinion of Frank Miller, a young business man of Washington, who has only recently returned from a vacation spent in his old home near Birmingham.

"I don't believe cricket will ever be abandoned; there is too much tradition attached to this game," said Mr. Miller, "but I found this summer that many of the old cricket clubs doing business when I lived in the old country had disbanded and the members had taken up tennis, cross-country running, and other sports."

"The young Englishmen of today complain that cricket is tiresome and the matches take too long to play. They know very little about baseball, but I believe that in time America's national sport will be very popular in the British Isles."

Mr. Miller further states that when the New York Giants and Chicago White Sox play their exhibition game in London he believes a monster crowd will welcome them.

"Chick" Gandil, the Nationals' big first baseman, has not only decided to spend the winter in Washington, but has been engaged by Frank Sherman, proprietor of the Royal Billiard Parlors, located next door to The Washington Herald Building, as an assistant in Mr. Sherman's establishment.

Gandil will be on the job in a few days and is sure to be a big drawing card.

GUNNERS VS. ENGINEERS.

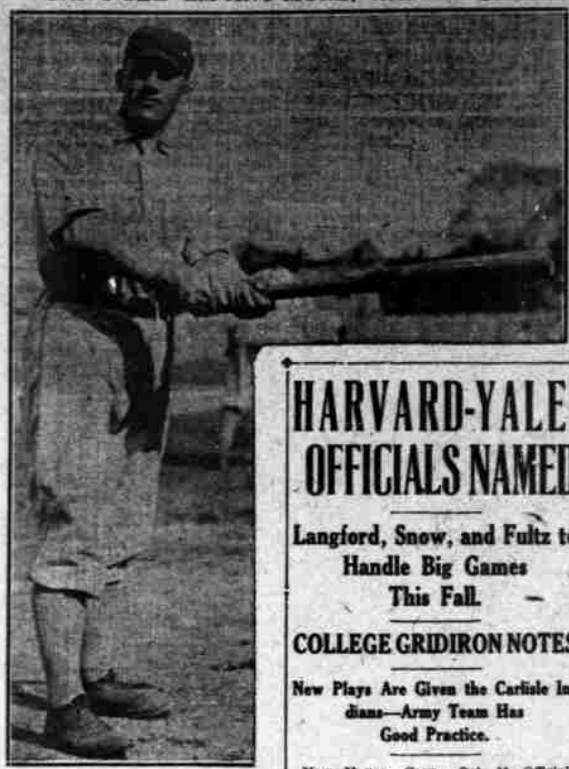
Battle Royal Booked at Vigilant Park Tomorrow.

A good game of football is expected at Vigilant Park tomorrow afternoon, when the Seaman Gunners tackle the Engineer team from Washington Barracks. Both teams have been practicing hard for this game as the outcome will guarantee the winner a chance to play other well known teams in and around the city. The game will be called at 2:30 o'clock.

Twining Boys Win.

Eighteen game basketball teams representing Twining and Webster Schools met yesterday in the Twining gymnasium and that team won, 17 to 8.

CAN'T SEE 'EM ANY MORE; HAD TO QUIT.



DOC GESSLER

Bili Bailey Says

Alexander Gussdorf comes to bat again and says he didn't say it, viz., that the Nationals might beat out the Athletics next year.

Pat O'Connor is going to stage another set of boxing bouts at Ardmore, October 20. "Hah! for Pat."

"Many crumples on Yale's football squad." Seems to me we have heard this before. It hath a familiar ring.

After looking over the world's series, the conclusion has been reached that about all the Giants won was the toes.

Army Officer's service race was the big feature at Laurel yesterday. Where was Col. "Liz" Johns?

Ever notice how a sporting editor's popularity wanes as soon as the baseball season closes and passes are not forthcoming?

Tony Russo, the well-known expression man, familiarly called "The Duke of Ninth Street," has joined Vic Gavzas's football team. When they told Tony to play right half back in a recent game he walked over to Gavzas and whispered, "Say, Vic, where is right half back supposed to stand? You know I never played on these grounds before."

The first game of the Stove League circuit was played yesterday. Griff did not pitch, but "Chick" Gandil cleaned up with a home run.

After reading the accounts of the St. Louis Browns and Cardinals series and noting how well the Browns could fight, one wonders why they did not fight higher in the American League race.

Did anyone know that the Panama canal was busted open last week? Or that an ocean liner was burned up? Hardly—wasn't the world's series on.

"Never again," he cried, as he tore up \$50 worth of tickets bearing the labels of Laurel's leading bookmakers. And he was right on the job again the next day. What fools we mortals be.

VIGILANT TEAM TO PRACTICE INDOORS

Hard at Work Preparing for Game with Crack Olympia Club of Wilmington.

Manager Oliver's champion Vigilant football team held its last outdoor practice yesterday at the new stadium at Vigilant Park. Hereafter the crack District titleholders will work in one of the local gymnasiums. The team is doing strenuous work preparing for its game with the Olympia Athletic Club next Sunday, as it expects a hard battle against the visitors.

The Wilmington organization last season, although losing its contest with the Vigilants, put up a corking game, displaying especially fine form on the defense. The Olympia back field was composed of men who tackled harder than any aggregation which met the District champs during the year. Reports state that the Delaware boys have greatly strengthened this season and they're pointing to an interesting meeting Sunday at Vigilant Park.

THREE GOOD BOUTS AT ARDMORE CLUB

Young Herman Miller and Kid Martin, of Baltimore, to Be Seen in Action.

Matchmaker Jack Joseph, of the Ardmore Athletic Club, has practically decided upon the preliminary bouts to be held with the Kid Sullivan-Jimmy Dougherty scrap October 20 at Ardmore, Md.

In the semi-windup Shanny Gardner will more than likely be pitted against young Herman Miller, of Baltimore, while the first battle will see Harry Marx, the Capital Hill light-weight, in action against Kid Martin, of Baltimore. Kid Sullivan is training hard for this bout. His last fight at Ardmore showed that the Kid is far from being all in, and he should prove to be a hard man for Dougherty, who has improved wonderfully over his showing at Ardmore the past spring.

Special cars will leave Fourteenth and New York Avenue the night of the fight, leaving Ardmore after the final round. P. E. O'Connor will referee the battle, with "Chick" Gandil as the official timer.

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HARVARD-YALE OFFICIALS NAMED

Langford, Snow, and Fultz to Handle Big Games This Fall.

COLLEGE GRIDIRON NOTES

New Plays Are Given the Carlisle Indians—Army Team Has Good Practice.

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 16.—Officials for the Yale-Harvard and Yale-Princeton football games, were announced tonight by Captain Ketchum. This year, they were arranged through the agency of the Central officials board for the first time, although Yale and Princeton employed this board last season for determining the list. The same set are selected for both games and will be as follows:

Umpire, William S. Langford, Trinity College; referee, Neil Snow, University of Michigan; linesman, David Fultz, Brown.

This is the same list used by Yale and Harvard last season. It proved very satisfactory then.

Langford is the former Trinity captain. He has officiated at more important games the past few years than any other player. Snow made his reputation upon the Western Circuit, but has given excellent satisfaction in the East. Fultz is the former Brown University halfback and captain, and later American League baseball star, and is now president of the Players' Protective Association.

Light Work for Tigers. Princeton, N. J., Oct. 16.—The Tiger squad escaped with a light workout today, the scrimmaging taking place between two teams made up impartially of scrubs and regulars. Neither side scored in the half-hour battle.

"Hobey" Baker was sent in when the ball was on the fifty-yard line to kick a field goal. His first attempt was unsuccessful, but on other attempts he averaged three out of eight, with a fourth try hitting the posts. Baker then tried from the fifty-five-yard mark with even better results, getting over four out of five.

Regular street and law are still on the side today with their work. A very brief practice will be held tomorrow to prepare the men for the game with Syracuse Saturday.

Cornell Team Works. Ithaca, N. Y., Oct. 16.—For the third consecutive time this week the Cornell Varsity was driven at a terrific pace through a long offense testing scrimmage and for the third time this week Taber, the new quarterback, demonstrated that he is the best field general Cornell has had in many years. Taber was largely responsible for the victory over the Red Devils today, for the Cornell touchdowns scored by the varsity against the scrubs. Taber made a number of long runs, both from kick and straight formations. Shiner, the half back, who was injured last week, returned to the game today and made several sensational runs. Cool was moved back to center today and Menelek went in at right guard.

Practice in Rain. Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 16.—The Harvard football squad were driven through a long practice today despite the heavy rain. Although the field was wet and slippery the coaches ordered an hour's scrimmage work between the Varsity and scrubs. Mullan plunged through for the first and hitting drove the scrubs' and for the second score. Logan appears to be leading in the race for quarterback, and will be started in the game against Holy Cross Saturday. Bradlee, one of the old candidates, is laid up with an injury. Friedman, who putting up a strong bid against Logan.

Army Regulars Score. West Point, N. Y., Oct. 16.—Practically all of the West Point regulars were on the field today for the thirty-minute scrimmage, which followed a long signal drill. While only two touchdowns were scored by the regulars, there could have been several more had not the coaches taken the ball away from them in an effort to test the defense of the first Cadet team.

New Plays for Indians. Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 16.—Coach Warner today put the Indian football team through a long drill of the plays, which it is expected Carlisle will be forced to use against Princeton Saturday. Capt. Welch explained a new play which the Indians will use in getting down the field after a kick off. The Carlisle team is in excellent condition and Coach Warner expects a victory Saturday. The team will be given a short signal drill tomorrow before leaving for Pittsburgh.

CLARENDON TEAM STRONG. Athletic Club Which Meets the Nationals Sunday.

The Clarendon A. C., which meets the Nationals Sunday at National Park, first and M Streets Northwest, at 3 o'clock, will bring over a bunch of rosters, as the Virginians expect to give the champions a good drubbing.

Both teams have been working hard for the game and a great battle is expected.

The Nationals had a good workout yesterday and all the men are ready for the whistle. The Piedmonts will meet the Tangierwode at 1 o'clock as a preliminary game.

LIEUT. ROCKWELL AGAIN THE VICTOR

Rides Handrunning Home First in Army Officers' Service Race.

BIG CROWD ON HAND

Handicap Goes to Sir John Johnson. Six Good Races Carded for Today.

By C. W. SWAN.

Laurel, Md., Oct. 16.—Lieut. C. K. Rockwell, riding Handrunning, his winning charger, captured the Officers' Army Service race, the feature of the card at Laurel Park this afternoon before the biggest crowd of the meeting.

Lieut. Rockwell rode his usual clever race, getting Handrunning away well and winning with ease. The only other contender was Hannah Louise, with Maj. Otwell in the saddle. Hannah Louise was off in front, and maintained the lead until on the back stretch, when Handrunning forged to the front.

The elite of the society world were at the track and cheered the army officers time and again. Lieut. Rockwell's victory was a popular one, and he was well played in the ring. A handsome set of jewel-studded vest buttons and studs was presented to Lieut. Rockwell by the association.

Sir John Johnson Wins. The handicap went to Sir John Johnson, backed heavily in the ring at 3 to 1. Spring Board was made the favorite, but could not outrun Sir John. Ariadne, also well backed, failed to get by Sir John and had to be content with second money. Hester Pryme was third.

H. G. Bodwell's Woodrow, at an high as 25 to 1, broomed home a winner in the opening event, a six-furlong dash. Woodrow was off in the lead and finished under wraps. Recession was the one liked in this race, but Woodrow was too strong, and Recession was second. Water Lad, also well backed, finished third.

The second race went to Dartworth, with Johnny McTaggart up. Dartworth led the field from the first turn, with Compliment coming strong. Mary Ann came with a rush in the stretch and finished a good second, with Compliment third.

Executive in Front. The race at 4 to 1, proved the best in the third race, at 51-5 furlongs. The first pair getting off in front, with Butwell taking things easy. Brave Currier challenged Executive in the stretch, but Butwell forced his mount to the wire in front. Gallop was third. After the race J. L. Hotland claimed Challop at \$1,000. There were four other bidders.

The sixth race went to Spelbound, played but little in the ring. Bonnie Eloise was the favorite and failed to get to the money. Ardson was third, with Ella Grace getting the place.

My Fellow rumped home in the seventh and final race, beating J. H. Houghton with ease. Afterglow was the third one in.

Six well-balanced races are booked for tomorrow, and another big crowd is expected out.

SUMMARY. FIRST RACE—Maiden two-year-olds; six furlongs. Woodrow, 25 to 1, won; Ariadne, 10 to 1, second; Hester Pryme, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:12. Second race—Two-year-olds; five furlongs. Dartworth, 10 to 1, won; Johnny McTaggart, 5 to 1, second; Mary Ann, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:08. Third race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Executive, 3 to 1, won; Butwell, 10 to 1, second; Gallop, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:04. Fourth race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Sir John Johnson, 3 to 1, won; Spring Board, 10 to 1, second; Ariadne, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:04. Fifth race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Dartworth, 10 to 1, won; Johnny McTaggart, 5 to 1, second; Mary Ann, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:08. Sixth race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. My Fellow, 10 to 1, won; Ardson, 10 to 1, second; Ella Grace, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:04.

SEMI-FINALS TODAY IN GOLF TOURNEY

Miss Hollins Meets Miss Curtis, and Miss Dodd Meets Miss Ravenscroft at Wilmington.

Wilmington, Del., Oct. 16.—The women's national golf championship was brought down to the semi-final stage by the completion of the third round on the Wilmington Country Club course today, and the four survivors are Miss Marion Hollins of New York; Miss Harriet Curtis of Boston; Miss Muriel Dodd and Miss Gladys Ravenscroft, both of England. In the semi-final of the two Americans will meet in the upper bracket, while the two English girls are doing battle in the lower.

For a time today it looked as though there was a chance to overthrow the British invaders, and one of them, Miss Mabel Harrison, the Irish champion, was defeated by Miss Curtis, who gained the victory over the Irish girl.

Miss Curtis won her match by 4 up and 2 to play. Mrs. E. H. Piller, of Philadelphia, was the opponent of Miss Marion Hollins, and the match was a close one. Summary:

Miss Marion Hollins, Westbrooke, defeated Mrs. Edward H. Piller, Merion, 2 up and 2 to play. Miss Harriet Curtis, Boston, defeated Miss Mabel Harrison, Ireland, 4 up and 2 to play. Miss Muriel Dodd, Moreton, England, defeated Mrs. Clarence H. Vanderbeck, Philadelphia, 5 up and 2 to play. Miss Gladys Ravenscroft, Bromborough, England, defeated Miss C. Ogden, Brookline, 3 up and 2 to play.

League Starts Tonight. The Southern Railway's Clerk DuPont League will start tonight, when the Mechanics meet the Law quintet, and the Managers meet Traffic. A revised schedule will be issued in a few days, including the new dates for the rest of the season.

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BRINGHURST A WINNER AT CHURCHILL DOWNS

Captures All-Ages Handicap, Lowering Track Record for Six Furlongs to 1:11.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 16.—Finishing six lengths in front of his field under a stout pull, Bringhurst, J. N. Camden's crack two-year-old, won today's feature at Churchill Downs, a handicap for all ages at six furlongs. The winner lowered the track record to 1:11. Jim Baser, under a good ride by Loftus, was the only contender and that only for a moment. Rifle Brigade finished third.

Favorites awarded their backers in most of the events today. Charter in the third race at a bit more than 6 to 1 being the longest shot of the day. In the fifth race Joeeky's Martin and Gould had a personal encounter during the running. Martin was astride King Worth, the favorite, and Gould rode Emerald Gem, which turned out the winner. At the close of the barrier the two boys started using their whips on each other. When Martin dismounted his jacket was torn almost off and he lodged a complaint against Gould with Judge Price, who, after hearing both sides of the case, refused to change the official placing. Summary:

FIRST RACE—Three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Plac, 11 to 1, won; W. D. 10 to 1, second; W. D. 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:11. Second race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Bringhurst, 10 to 1, won; Rifle Brigade, 10 to 1, second; W. D. 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:11. Third race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Charter, 6 to 1, won; W. D. 10 to 1, second; W. D. 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:11. Fourth race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. Joeeky's Martin, 10 to 1, won; Gould, 10 to 1, second; W. D. 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:11. Fifth race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. King Worth, 10 to 1, won; Emerald Gem, 10 to 1, second; W. D. 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:11. Sixth race—Handicap; three-year-olds and up; six furlongs. W. D. 10 to 1, won; W. D. 10 to 1, second; W. D. 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:11.

RALPH ROSE DIES OF TYPHOID FEVER

World's Famous Athlete Succumbs After Illness of Three Weeks in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Oct. 16.—Ralph Rose, world famous athlete and member of Olympic teams, and holder of many world's records, died today after an illness of three weeks. The cause of his death was typhoid fever.

Rose was a practicing attorney in this city. He was a physical giant and had always been the picture of health until he contracted the illness which laid him low. He was a native of Heidelberg, Cal.

M'DERMOTT IN LEAD FOR WESTERN TITLE

Atlantic City Golfer in Front in Championship Tournament at Memphis.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 16.—Jack McDermott, the Atlantic City professional, again proved his class by leading a field of fifty-eight players in the first half of play for the Western open golf championship at the Memphis Country Club today.

The doctory little Irishman followed a brilliant record of 14 in the morning with one of 22 in the afternoon and at the half-way mark is leading the field with a total of 36.

McDonald Smyth, the young Scotsman from the Wykegri Club, of New York, the present champion, had a brace of 14 and is only two shots behind McDermott.

Michael J. Brady, from the Woburn Club, of Boston, with scores of 23 and 24, is one stroke behind Smyth. Indications are that the title will go to one of these three men.

RACING CARDS FOR TODAY.

Laurel.

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Harro De Grace Meeting to Be Held in the Spring.

Harro De Grace, Md., Oct. 16.—The Harro De Grace races scheduled by the Farmers Association of Harford County, to begin on November 14, have been postponed to early next spring. Lateness of the season, it is announced, made it impossible to provide the necessary premiums.

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